

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

Claim 1 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:

a cabinet;

a support connected to the cabinet; and

a combined container-item holder connected to the support, wherein said combined container-item holder includes a container holder having a bottom surface and an item holder connected to the container holder, and wherein said item holder includes means for enabling a player to securely and removably connect an item to the item holder, said item holder projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 1, wherein the support includes a bolster.

Claim 3 (original): The gaming device of Claim 2, wherein the bolster includes a substantially vertically extending channel adapted to receive the container-item holder.

Claim 4 (original): The gaming device of Claim 1, wherein the container-item holder includes a container holder and an item holder connected to the container holder.

Claim 5 (original): The gaming device of Claim 4, wherein the item holder is rotatably connected to the container holder.

Claim 6 (original): The gaming device of Claim 4, wherein the container holder includes a body and a flange connected to the body, wherein the flange has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the container holder.

Claim 7 (original): The gaming device of Claim 4, wherein the item holder includes a hook.

Claim 8 (original): The gaming device of Claim 4, wherein the container holder includes a base and a body connected to the base, said base defining at least one opening which enables fluid to drain through the base.

Claim 9 (original): The gaming device of Claim 8, wherein the item holder includes a connecting portion connected to the base and a securing portion connected to the connecting portion.

Claim 10 (original): The gaming device of Claim 9, wherein the connecting portion is rotatably connected to the base.

Claim 11 (original): The gaming device of Claim 4, wherein the item holder includes a connecting portion and a securing portion connected to the connecting portion.

Claim 12 (original): The gaming device of Claim 11, wherein the securing portion includes means for inhibiting an item from being easily removed from the item holder.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A gaming device ~~combined container-item holder~~ for a ~~gaming device~~ including a cabinet and a support connected to the cabinet, said ~~combined container-item holder~~ comprising:

a cabinet including a support and a combined container-item holder attached to said support, said combined container item holder including:

a container holding portion adapted to be mounted to the support, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface and a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container, and wherein the base defines at least one opening to enable fluid to drain from the chamber; and

an item holding portion connected to the container holding portion, said item holding portion including a securing member adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.

Claim 14 (currently amended): The gaming device ~~container-item holder~~ of Claim 13, wherein the item holding portion is rotatably connected to the container holding portion.

Claim 15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (canceled)

Claim 17 (currently amended): The gaming device ~~container-item holder~~ of Claim 13, wherein the body includes a flange which has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the body.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The gaming device container-item holder of Claim 13, wherein the item holding portion includes a connecting member connected to the container holding portion and a securing member connected to the connecting member.

Claim 19 (currently amended): The gaming device container-item holder of Claim 18, wherein the connecting member is rotatably connected to the container holding member.

Claim 20 (currently amended): A gaming device combined container-item holder for a gaming device having a cabinet and a bolster mounted to the cabinet, said bolster defining a channel for receiving the container-item holder, and said container-item holder adapted to simultaneously hold a container in or above the bolster and a personal item below the bolster, said container-item holder comprising:

a cabinet including a bolster mounted to the cabinet and a combined container-item holder attached to said bolster, said bolster defining a channel for receiving the container-item holder, and said container-item holder adapted to simultaneously hold a container in or above the bolster and a personal item below the bolster, said container-item holder including:

a container holder mounted in the channel, said container holder including a base and a body extending upwardly from the base, said base and body defining a chamber adapted to receive and hold said container; and

an item holder including a connecting member connected to the base of the container holder and a securing member connected to the connecting member.

Claim 21 (currently amended): The gaming device combined container-item holder of Claim 20, wherein the connecting member is rotatably connected to the base.

Claim 22 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:
a cabinet; and

a support connected to the cabinet which defines at least one channel within the support which is adapted to receive a combined container-item holder, wherein said combined container-item holder includes a container holder having a bottom surface and an item holder connected to the container holder, wherein said item holder includes a securing member adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holder projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder.

Claim 23 (original): The gaming device of Claim 22, wherein the support includes a bolster.

Claim 24 (original): The gaming device of Claim 22, wherein the channel is cylindrical.

Claim 25 (original): The gaming device of Claim 22, wherein the channel extends substantially vertically through the entire support.

Claim 26 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:
a cabinet;
a support connected to the cabinet; and

a combined container-item holder connected to the support, said combined container-item holder including a container holder and an item holder connected to the container holder, wherein the container holder includes a base defining a bottom surface and a body connected to the base, said base defining at least one opening which enables fluid to drain through the base, said item holder projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the support includes a bolster.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 27, wherein the bolster includes a substantially vertically extending channel adapted to receive the container-item holder.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the item holder is rotatably connected to the container holder.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the container holder includes a body and a flange connected to the body, wherein the flange has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the container holder.

Claim 31 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the item holder includes a hook.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the item holder includes a connecting portion connected to the base and a securing portion connected to the connecting portion.

Claim 33 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 32, wherein the connecting portion is rotatably connected to the base.

Claim 34 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 26, wherein the item holder includes a connecting portion and a securing portion connected to the connecting portion.

Claim 35 (previously presented): The gaming device of Claim 34, wherein the securing portion includes means for inhibiting an item from being easily removed from the item holder.

Claim 36 (currently amended): ~~A gaming device combined container-item holder for a gaming device including a cabinet and a support connected to the cabinet, said combined container-item holder comprising:~~

~~a cabinet including a support and a combined container-item holder attached to said support, said combined container item holder including:~~

~~a container holding portion adapted to be mounted to the support, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface, a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container, and wherein the body includes a flange which has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the body; and~~

~~an item holding portion connected to the container holding portion, said item holding portion including a securing member which is adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.~~

Claim 37 (currently amended): ~~The gaming device container-item holder of~~ Claim 36, wherein the item holding portion is rotatably connected to the container holding portion.

Claim 38 (currently amended): ~~The gaming device container-item holder of~~ Claim 36, wherein the base defines at least one opening which enables fluid to drain from the chamber.

Claim 39 (currently amended): ~~The gaming device container-item holder of~~ Claim 36, wherein the item holding portion includes a connecting member connected to the container holding portion and connected to the securing member.

Claim 40 (currently amended): The gaming device container-item holder of Claim 39, wherein the connecting member is rotatably connected to the container holding member.

Claim 41 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:
a cabinet;
a support connected to the cabinet; and
a combined container-item holder connected to the support, said combined container-item holder including a container holder having a bottom surface and an item holder connected to the container holder, said item holder projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder, wherein the container holder includes a body and a flange connected to the body, and wherein the flange has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the container holder.

Claim 42 (currently amended): A combined container-item holder for a gaming device comprising:

a cabinet including a support and a combined container-item holder attached to said support, said combined container-item holder including;
a container holding portion adapted to be mounted to a the support, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface and a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container; and

an item holding portion connected to the container holding portion, said item holding portion including a securing member adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.

Claim 43 (currently amended): The gaming device container-item holder of Claim 42, wherein the item holding portion is rotatably connected to the container holding portion.

Claim 44 (currently amended): The gaming device container item holder of the Claim 42, wherein the container holding portion includes a base, a body extending from the base, said base and body defining a chamber for receiving and holding a container.

Claim 45 (currently amended): The gaming device container item holder of Claim 44, wherein the base defines at least one opening which enables fluid to drain from the chamber.

Claim 46 (currently amended): The gaming device container item holder of Claim 44, wherein the body includes a flange which has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the body.

Claim 47 (currently amended): The gaming device container item holder of Claim 42, wherein the item holding portion includes a connecting member connected to the container holding portion and connected to the securing member.

Claim 48 (currently amended): The gaming device container item holder of Claim 47, wherein the connecting member is rotatably connected to the container holding member.

Claim 49 (currently amended): ~~A combined container-item holder for a gaming device comprising:~~

a cabinet including a support and a combined container-item holder attached to said support, said combined container-item holder including;

a container holding portion adapted to be mounted to a the support, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface and a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container; and

an item holding portion rotatably connected to the container holding portion, said item holding portion including a securing member adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.

Claim 50 (currently amended): ~~A combined container-item holder for a gaming device comprising:~~

a cabinet including a support and a combined container-item holder attached to said support, said combined container-item holder including;

a container holding portion adapted to be mounted to a the support, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface and a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container; and

an item holding portion fixedly connected to the container holding portion, said item holding portion including a securing member adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.

Claim 51 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:

a cabinet;

a support connected to the cabinet; and

a combined container-item holder connected to the support, wherein said combined container-item holder includes a container holding portion and an item holding portion, said container holding portion including a base defining a bottom surface and a body extending from the base, wherein said base and body define a chamber for receiving and holding a container, and wherein the body includes a flange which has a circumference greater than a circumference of a channel in the support adapted to receive the body, said item holding portion connected to the container holding portion and including a securing member for securely and removably holding an item of a player, said item holding portion projecting from the bottom surface of the container holding portion.

Claim 52 (previously presented): A gaming device comprising:

a cabinet;

a support connected to the cabinet; and

a combined container-item holder connected to the support, wherein said combined container-item holder includes a container holder having a bottom surface and an item holder connected to the container holder, and wherein said item holder includes a connecting portion for connecting said item holder to said container holder and a securing portion adapted to securely and removably hold an item of a player, said item holder projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder.

Claim 53 (canceled)

Claim 54 (new): A gaming device including a cabinet and a bolster connected to the cabinet, wherein the bolster includes a substantially vertically extending channel, said gaming device comprising:

a combined container-item holder including:

a container holder mounted in the channel, said container holder having a bottom surface, a body defining at least one opening to enable fluid to drain from the container holder and a flange connected to the body, said flange having a circumference greater than the circumference of the channel; and

at least one hook projecting from the bottom surface of the container holder, said hook including a relatively straight connecting portion and a securing portion connected to the connecting portion, said securing portion enabling a player to securely and removably connect at least one item to the hook, wherein said securing portion includes an inhibiting device for inhibiting the item from being easily removed from the item holder.

Claim 55 (new): The gaming device of Claim 54, wherein the inhibiting device includes a spring activated clip.